(b) whether these units have taken adequate measure to control water pollution;

(c) if not, what action Government have taken against the defaulting units; and

(d) what checks have been exercised by Government to ensure that instructions in this regard are not violated by the industrial units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI VIR SEN): (a) and (b) According to a survey conducted by the Central and State Pollution Control Boards, there are 4109 polluting industrial units in the large and medium sector. Out of these, 1966 units have provided effluent treatment facility.

(c) and (d) Legal action was taken in respect of 515 industrial units in various States which have not taken pollution control measures in spite of pursuasion. Injunctions were obtained against 37 units.

Fixation of Prices of Colour TV Sets

275. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have fixed prices of colour television sets;

(b) whether Government are aware of the violation of the directive by certain T.V. manufacturers;

(c) if so, what action has been taken by Government against the defaulting firms; and

(d) what steps Government propose to take to ensure availability of colour TV sets at the fixed price?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS, OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) No, Sir. However, in 1982, the manufacturers of CTV had given an undertaking in respect of CTV Sets which were assembled through kit import on one time basis by the Government during Asiad, that the retail prices if these CTV sets marketed by them would not exceed Rs. 7500 (Turret Tuner) and Rs. 8000 (Electronic Tuner) and that these prices included guarantee/warranty and sales tax in Delhi.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. On the basis of a complaint and investigations done under MRTP Act, a 'Notice of Enquiry' was issued to certain TV manufacturers/dealers for imposing higher costs on the consumers for colour TV sets directly or through service contracts. After necessary investigation. an R.T.P. Enquiry has been instituted.

(d) Various steps are being taken to bring down the price of Colour TV Sets. These include:

(i) Issuing industrial approvals liberally, without any upper limit on capacities so that economically viable level of production could be achieved and competition encouraged.

(ii) Reducing Government levies like customs duty on imported raw materials/components, reduction in excise duty, etc.

(iii) A high power TV Coordination Committee under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Electronics is functioning with representation from Indian TV Manufacturers Association and Electronics Components Industries Association, to review and monitor the progress of manufacture of TV sets The question of maximum price to be charged for a CTV set has been discussed in the various meetings of the above Committee. In the meeting of this Committee held on 16-8-84, ITMA committed that from 15th October, 1984, cost of the CTV to the customer with all taxes and one year guarantee in Delhi will not be more than Rs. 7500 with electronic tuner and Rs. 7000/- with turret tuner.

(iv) Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation (ET&T), a public sector undertaking under the Department of Electronics, under their 'Material Technology Brand Name' (MTB) programme will provide help to industry to produce quality products at reasonable cost by supplying material by them in bulk along with necessary technology. It is expected that CTVs manufactured under this scheme will be available at a price less than the price at which the CTVs are being sold in the market.

(v) ET&T shall supply Colour Picture Tubes in adequate quantities to the various Colour TV manufacturers.

(vi) As a result of the discussions with Indian TV Manufacturer's Association, they have provided us the list of 6 members of their Association, who have agreed to sell their economy model colour TV sets through Government distribution net-work, such as, co-operative societies, super bazars etc. Action has been initiated by Department of Electronics.

With the above steps and the market forces operating prices of some models of CTV sets have come down.

Development of Tourism during the Seventh Five-Year Plan

276. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what measures Government propose to take for development of tourism during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to instruct the State Governments to construct low cost hotels for the domestic and foreign tourists;

(c) whether Government propose to extend financial assistance to the State Government for this purpose; and

(d) what other steps Government propose to take to encourage development of tourism at the State level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) During the Seventh Five Year Plan it is proposed to provide infrastructure facilities for promotion of domestic and overseas tourism, development of beach resorts, improvement of facilities for Himalayan trekking and water sports, preservation of national heritage areas, floodlighting of monuments, development of facilities along Buddhist circuits, improvement in the quality of surface transport, development of wildlife tourism, emphasis on direct consumer's advertising abroad and production of improved publicity material. Special emphasis is being given to promote and accelerate domestic tourism.

(b) to (d) In order to provide economy class accommodation for domestic and budget tourists, it is proposed to construct Yatri Niwases and low-cost budget accommodation jointly with the State Governments. Bharatiya Yatri Avas Vikas Samiti, a society registered under Societies Act, 1860, also constructs Yatrikas/Dharamshalas/Sarais at selected pilgrim centres. The State Governments have also been requested to draw up their plans with greater emphasis on provision of infrastructure for domestic tourists.

Manufacturing of Low Cost Computers

277. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to manufacture low cost computers in collaboration with advanced countries;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether capacity production of low cost computers would be sufficient to meet the domestic demands; and